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Re: Allowed U.S. Utility Patent Application
Appl. No. 09/321,882; Filed: May 28, 1999
For: **Neuroactive Steroids of the Androstane and Pregnane Series**
Inventors: Upasani *et al.*
Our Ref: 1483.0130002/JMC/M-R

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due dated March 11, 2004, the following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. Issue Fee Transmittal (PTOL-85);
2. Fee Transmittal (PTO/SB/17);
3. Letter to the Draftsman: Submission of Formal Drawings;
4. One (1) sheet of formal drawings (Figure 1), approval of which is respectfully requested;
5. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) for \$1,360.00 to cover:
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\$ 30.00 Ten (10) advance copies of patent; and
6. One (1) return postcard.

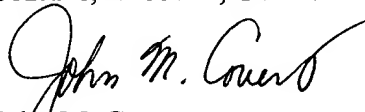
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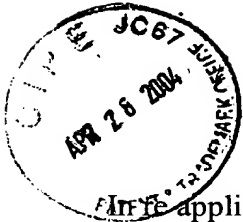
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Letter to PTO Draftsman: Submission of Formal Drawings

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Submitted herewith is one (1) sheet of formal drawings showing Figure 1, corresponding to the informal drawing sheet submitted with the above-captioned application. Identification of the drawing is provided in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(c). Acknowledgment of the receipt, approval, and entry of the formal drawing into this application is respectfully requested.


It is not believed that an extension of time is required, other than any already provided herewith. However, if an extension of time is needed to prevent abandonment of the application, then such extension of time is hereby petitioned.

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